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TAGS: AFSP, JA
SUBJECT: EXCEPTION TO FOREIGN SERVICE TRAVEL REGULATIONS:
MS. GRACE E. RISBECK FSSO-6
REFS: (A) EARL M. JONES LETTER OF JUNE 14 TO MS. RISBECK
(B) DS 1419 DATED APRIL 9
(C) RISBECK LETTER OF JULY 2 TO MR. JONES
(D) NAHA 407

FOR EA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FROM CG KNOWLES
1. COMMITTEE ON EXCEPTIONS HAS DISAPPROVED (REF A) REQUEST OF
MS. RISBECK, AMERICAN SECRETARY WHO DEPARTED THIS POST AUGUST
20, FOR AN INCREASE IN HER LIMITED SHIPMENT ALLOWANCE TO
COVER EXCESS SHIPMENT OF EFFECTS FROM HONG KONG TO
NAHA IN 1974. REF B INSTRUCTED MS. RISBECK TO

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REIMBURSE DEPT WITHIN 45 DAYS AMOUNT OF \$958.55 FOR COST OF
1603 LBS NET EXCESS SHIPMENT.
2. I STRONGLY SUPPORT MS. RISBECK'S APPEAL (REFC) FOR REVIEW
OF THIS DECISION OF COMMITTEE ON EXCEPTIONS. I UNDERSTAND,
AFTER CONSULTATION WITH EMBASSY TOKYO, THAT HER EXCESS SHIPMENT
TO NAHA SAVED USG AT LEAST \$400 IN SHIPPING CHARGES THAT WOULD
HAVE BEEN INCURRED HAD SHE SHIPPED THESE EFFECTS TO SAN
FRANCISCO FOR STORAGE AS SHE WAS ENTITLED TO DO. I FURTHER
UNDERSTAND THERE WERE ADDITIONAL SAVINGS TO USG OF TWO YEARS
STORAGE CHARGES IN SAN FRANCISCO.
3. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT IN THIS MATTER. MS.
RISBECK IS A SUPERIOR SECRETARY WHO HAS MUCH TO CONTRIBUTE
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TO THE FOREIGN SERVICE, AND IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE FOREIGN

SERVICE GIVE HER EVERY CONSIDERATION TO WHICH SHE
MIGHT BE ENTITLED INCLUDING A FULL EXPLANATION OF THE FINAL
DECISION IN HER CASE. IN THE MEANTIME, I TRUST THAT
THE DEPARTMENT WILL HOLD REFB NOTICE OF IDEBTEDNESS IN
ABEYANCE. MS. RISBECK TENTATIVELY PLANS VISIT
WASHINGTON ON CONSULTATION SEPT 30 (REF D). AFTER

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SEPT 3 SHE CAN BE CONTACTED THROUGH MR. WILLIAM T.
BARR, 1620 PARKLINE DRIVE, APT 4, PITTSBURGH, PA.
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